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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER PALME'S VIEWS ON CSCE

1. DURING CALL ON PRIME MINISTER PALME PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE ABROAD JUNE 19, I ASKED HIM FOR HIS VIEWS ON CSCE. HE SAID GOS CONSIDERS IT CERTAIN THAT THERE WILL BE CSCE SUMMIT, INASMUCH AS THERE IS NOW WIDE AGREEMENT ON MAJOR ISSUES AND IT IS INCONCEIVABLE THAT REMAINING MINOR QUESTIONS COULD CAUSE CSCE TO FOUNDER, PARTICULARLY SINCE FAILURE OF CSCE WOULD BE SERIOUS SETBACK TO DETENTE.

2. ACCORDING TO PALME, THE SOVIETS HAVE ASSUMED "UNDERSTANDING" ATTITUDE TOWARDS GOS POSITION ON CMB'S IN BALTIC SEA AREA, BUT HAVE NOT ACCEPTED SWEDISH POSITION BECAUSE OF THEIR WISH TO AVOID SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT IN BLACK SEA, WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT AREA TO SOVIETS.

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3. THE PRIME MINISTER SEEMED PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE TIMING OF THE SUMMIT, AND HE ASKED ME IF I THOUGHT THAT IT COULD ACTUALLY BE HELD IN JULY. (HE CONFESSED HIMSELF WORRIED ABOUT HIS SUMMER VACATION PLANS). I REPLIED THAT I DID NOT KNOW, BUT POINTED OUT THAT FINN'S HAVE STATED THEY NEED A MINIMUM FOUR WEEK PERIOD TO PREPARE FOR THE CONFERENCE. PALME, NOTING FINNISH REQUIREMENT, SAID THAT TIME WAS RUNNING OUT FOR PROSPECTS FOR JULY SUMMIT, AND THAT HE CONSIDERS A SEPTEMBER DATE AS CONSIDERABLY MORE LIKELY.
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